

# Song 442 Church Is Hard

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C F C C G C F C C G C

Whistle Amazing Grace:

- C F C C G C F C C G C
- C: Church is the place where we can find peace, joy, and happiness  
C F C G C  
Receiving all the blessings, he has promised us  
C F C C G  
Who follow, serve, love, and embrace the gospel  
C F C G C  
It is part of the Iron Rod helping us to return to God  
D7 C7 G7 D7
1. Church is hard for the person  
D7 C7 G7 D7  
Walking through the door, afraid of judgement
  2. A7 G7 F A7  
Church is hard for the Bishop's Family  
A7 G7 F A7  
Feeling like they have to be an example  
D7 C7 G7 D7
  3. Church is hard for the prodigal soul returning home  
D7 C7 G7 D7  
Broken and battered by the world  
A7 G7 F A7
  4. Church is hard for the teen who acts like  
A7 G7 F A7  
They have it together, but are internally suffering  
D7 C7 G7 D7
  5. Church is hard for the couple who fought  
D7 C7 G7 D7  
The entire ride to sacrament meeting  
A7 G7 F A7
  6. Church is hard for the woman seeing children  
A7 G7 F A7  
And she isn't able to have her own  
D7 C7 G7 D7
  7. Church is hard for the widow and widower  
D7 C7 G7 D7  
Sitting quietly and hoping someone will say hello  
A7 G7 F A7
  8. Church is hard for the divorced feeling like  
A7 G7 F A7  
They have failed in marriage and in the gospel

9. Church is hard for the person singing worship songs  
 Overwhelmed by the weight of the lyrics
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10. Church is hard for the member insecure  
 And inadequate in their role as a leader
11. Church is hard for the unmarried who longs  
 To be loved by a righteous companion
12. Church is hard for the mother who constantly has to  
 Leave the chapel due to unruly kids
13. Church is hard for the young girl or boy, man or woman,  
 Ashamed of their moral mistake
14. Church is hard for the members who go month after month  
 Without a visit from their ministers
15. Church is hard because there are so many who appear  
 More perfect than we will ever be
16. Church is hard for those who don't feel they belong  
 Due to an addiction or an attraction conflict
17. Church is hard when someone utters a harsh word  
 Or criticism without thinking

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 Church is easy as we come to understand  
 D C G D
18. Church isn't a building or a person in it  
 D C G D  
 It's a pathway to follow  
 A G F A
19. Church is a body and each of us, no matter what,  
 A G F A  
 All play a vital role in the Gospel  
 D C G D
20. Church is a hospital for sinners, all striving to be  
 D C G D  
 Better today than they were yesterday  
 A G F A
21. Church is a body of believers  
 A G F A  
 Bound as brothers and sisters by eternal love  
 D C G D
22. Church is a place where we can associate with others  
 D C G D  
 Who we can turn to for help and strength  
 A G F A
23. Church is a refuge for broken hearts and  
 A G F A  
 A training ground for Stripling Warriors  
 D C G D
24. Church is an opportunity to seek and receive forgiveness  
 D C G D  
 Through the atonement of our Savior  
 A G F A
25. Church is a lesson in faith and trust  
 A G F A  
 Of challenges and opportunities and most of all growth  
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26. Church is a bearer of burdens and of hope  
 D C G D  
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 Being both givers and receivers, serving and served  
 A G F A
27. Church is a family where we won't always get along  
 A G F A  
 But learn to love them anyway  
 D C G D
28. Church, the place where we learn and demonstrate  
 D C G D  
 All the attributes which Jesus taught  
 A G F A
29. Church is where we can study the gospel  
 A G F A  
 And then go forth and do  
 D C G D
30. Church is a place where we can have  
 D C G D  
 Our own testimonies strengthened as we hear others borne  
 A G F A
31. Church is where we discover others have  
 A G F A  
 Similar challenges and struggles just as we do  
 D C G D
32. Church is where we are expected to love one another  
 D C G D  
 And share one another's burdens  
 D7 C7 G7 D7
33. Church is hard for those who would love to be part of each service  
 D7 C7 G7 D7  
 But can't due to disabilities, military service, and other constraints

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